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churia Russia has been able to profit by the action or inaction of others. It was the blow struck by Japan at China, which first gave her the chance of securing a foothold at Port Arthur, after Germany had seized Kiao-chow. It was British official want of purpose and ignorance of the facts which made that foothold permanent and exclusive. British officialdom has assisted again, in the past half-year, in the extension of Russian control over a great part of Southern Manchuria. There seems no reason why Russia should now take less than she can get. Our correspondent asks: "Is the importance of the province (Manchuria) sufficient to justify us in taking steps to keep the trade open to all comers?" This might be put another way. Are we to expect Russia, it might be asked, to keep the pledges which she has given about the trade of China? One of the objects of the Anglo-German Agreement concerned the maintenance of the integrity of China. If our diplomats are about to assent to the quibble that Manchuria is not part of China, are they also going to agree to the shutting out of our traders from the province? Every individual out here has been considering these questions, as our correspondent says that he should; but we very much doubt whether the taxpayer at home is giving even a moment's thought to them. If he does, he probably soothes his feelings with the idea that there is the open trade of the Yangtze Valley, not troubling to reflect that this was always open to us and that of South Manchurian trade he is proposing to surrender his country's share in return for nothing at all. When the history of England's connection with the Chinese Empire comes to be written, the future historian will be able to point out one phrase which did incalculable harm to the interests of England in China, namely "our sphere of influence in the Yangtze Valley."

Christmastide with the Hongkong branch of the Mission to Seamen was observed at the Star Coffee House by the manager, Mr. H. C. Ashman, preparing a reasonable dinner for those seamen of the Royal Navy and the sailing ships in harbour who were ashore for the day. Quite a large number partook of the good things provided for them.

The service at St. John's Cathedral on Christmas morning was well attended. The edifice had been tastefully decorated from the portal to the chancel and altar-steps with seasonable greenery and ferns. The processional hymn was "Hark the Herald Angels sing," and the Anthem "Awake, O Zion" by Steiner. During the offertory the hymn "O come, all ye faithful" was rendered by the choir. The Lord Bishop of Victoria, the Right Rev. J. C. Hoare, M. A., was the preacher.

The annual Christmas dance of the Hongkong Police was held at No. 8 Station on Tuesday evening, when there was a large attendance. Dancing commenced at nine o'clock, and was kept up with great spirit and enjoyment until the small hours of the morning. Mr. Grant acting as master of ceremonies. Lance-Sergeant Kent acted as secretary, and, with the help of an able committee, carried the proceedings through to a successful close. The ballroom was gaily decorated with bunting and greenery. Inspector and Mrs. Duncan were warmly thanked for their kindness in extending the hospitality of their house for the occasion.

Under the heading of "Italy and China" the *Nogasaki Express* makes the following curious statement:—From a reliable source we learn that the two Italian cruisers now in harbour, the *V. Pisani* and *Fieramosca*, the former flying the flag of Rear-Admiral Candiani, will leave here to-day for Woosung. At the latter place the *Calabria* will join them, and the three vessels will then proceed to Sammoo Bay. A landing is to be effected and a military occupation of the territory will take place. A hospital and other buildings will be erected and the locality is to afford a health resort for Italian sick and wounded troops from North China. Apparently Italy, with the consent of the other Powers, is taking advantage of the present troubles to enforce her demand for the cession of the above port, the possession of which was so strenuously denied her by China some two years ago.

St. Peter's Church was well filled on Christmas morning, when the congregation were treated to a carol-selection and a solo from the Messiah. "For behold darkness shall cover the earth." Later in the day the church members and their friends entertained the seamen from the various mercantile marine vessels in harbour to a fete at Little Hongkong, where a variety of sports were indulged in. The company left Hongkong in several launches. There were, in all, about 150, including some men from the siege train at Kowloon, the Royal Welsh Fusiliers and blan-jackets from the men-of-war. The programme included tugs of war, throwing the hammer, flat maces, &c., and concluded with an all-round seasonable tea. Prizes were subsequently presented to the successful competitors in the various events by Miss Johnston of Fairlee, and Miss Mabel Sheffield, who was introduced as the skipper, opened a deeply-laden sea-chest (which took the place of the annual "Brig") and distributed useful presents to the assembled company. At the close it was testified that the day's entertainment had been one of the most enjoyable which has been held within the history of the church.

A hockey match at Shanghai on the 18th inst., Ireland v. The World, ended in favour of Ireland by three goals to one.

The half-yearly Golf Championship of Ceylon was won at Colombo on the 1st inst. by Mr. C. H. Elliott, who had previously won it at Nuwara Eliya this year.

Owing to the miscarriage of the score-book on its way from the Cricket Ground yesterday, we are obliged to hold over the full report of the match between the Club and the United Services until to-morrow's issue.

Mr. W. Holland has proceeded to Ichang to resume his post of British Consul at that port, and Mr. E. C. Wilton, who acted for him during his absence on furlough, goes on to Chungking to relieve Mr. M. F. A. Fraser.

Mr. James Watts, whose ride from Tientsin to Taku was the means of saving Tientsin from the Chinese, has been rewarded by the German Emperor. He has received the Reitungs-Medaille, which is a high civil decoration given for the saving of life.

According to a Japanese paper, the Chilian Government has decided to reduce its navy, as a result of the recent conclusion of an arbitration treaty among the South American republics. It is reported that a cruiser will be sold to Ecuador, another warship to Peru, and two torpedo-boat destroyers to Japan.

We have received the programme of the Amoy Race Club Meeting on the 10th, 11th, and 12th inst. Six races are on the list for each day, the chief attraction being the Amoy Stakes on the first day and the Champion Stakes on the third. The entries include *Wizard*, *Theistic*, *Tocsin*, *Devotion*, and *Sai-ko*, representing Messrs. R. B. Johnson, Ronnerville Widman, and (the last three) G. Hutton Potts.

One of the newly elected M.P.'s is already dead—Mr. D. MacAlessie, Nationalist member for North Monaghan. Sixty-six years old at the time of his death, he started as a shoemaker, but became a journalist. When editing the *Ulster Examiner* he was sentenced to four months' imprisonment and fined £250 for contempt of Court, in charging the late Judge Lawson with not acting impartially in the Belfast riot cases.

A dalmatian plot to blow up the U.S.S. *Pampanga* by inserting cement in her boiler was recently frustrated by a final inspection, says the *Manila Times*. The work had all been performed by native mechanics and it seems improbable that one or two could have prepared the boiler for destruction without the knowledge of the others. To allow such a dalmatian plot to pass unpunished is to invite the perpetration of equally or more dangerous crimes, adds the *Times*.

Four more arrests have been made in connection with the Tokyo scandal, says the *Japan Mail*. Among them are Mr. Iwai Kanesuke, a member of the City Council, and Mr. Toshimatsu Tsurumatsu, a well-known politician and member of the House of Representatives. The arrest of Mr. Toshimatsu has created a sensation, as he is a barrister with an extensive practice, and is supposed to enjoy the full confidence of Mr. Hoshi Tora. The other persons apprehended are Mr. Natsume and Mr. Nakamura, civil engineers. The excitement connected with the that Ruter can aid sensationalism to bias.

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No deaths from plague have occurred in South Africa, says a London telegram of the 4th inst., since it has been medically controlled. This is attributed to the Yersin inoculation.

Capt. the Hon. Hedworth Lambton, having failed in his effort to get into Parliament, is said by the home papers to be anxious to go back to his profession and resume his naval duties at an early date.

Capt. David Beatty, D.S.O., R.N., who was promoted post-captain for his services in North China, is completely disabled as far as his left arm is concerned. He was last month in London, undergoing medical treatment.

The *Dublin Evening Herald* of the 4th inst. having started, for unexplained motives, the *canard* that Lord Halifax, President of the English Church Union, had decided to become a Roman Catholic, Lord Halifax has contradicted the story in the home press.

Lord Monkswell, in a letter to the *Times* of the 28th ult., in reference to the purchase of Indian Railways, says he hopes the journals will give powerful support to the proposition that Indian Railway shareholders have a right to know whether Government intends to persevere in the project which will deprive them of half their property.

The revolver accident to Mr. J. A. Stuart, of Hotspur estate, Dolgellau, Ceylon, which we have already recorded as occurring on the 3rd inst., ended in the death of the unfortunate planter. Deceased was only 22 years of age, and had been in the island about two years. He was the second son of Mr. John Stuart of Middleton, Talawakelle, and was popular in the district in which he resided.

The specie reserve in the Bank of Japan has dwindled from 100 millions to 65 millions. There is still an excess of imports over exports, amounting to 50 millions, that has to be settled. This is a serious fact. Two plans are suggested for relief, one being the disposal of all silver in the possession of the government, and the other the sale on the London market of 20 millions' worth of the 4 per cent. bonds possessed by the Bank.

The *Times of Ceylon* speaks thus, in an editorial note, of "Reuter's Boer tendencies":—We notice one or two newspapers are complaining of evident bias in Reuter's messages about South Africa by invariably giving details when the Boers gain some small success, and dismissing similar achievements by the British by saying that these have occurred in "several places during the past week." The foundation for the impression dates back to the early stages of the war, and "nationality" has something to do with it. The telegram concerning the Congress at Worcester gives colour to the belief that Ruter can aid sensationalism to bias.

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The M. M. steamer *Indus*, with the outward French Mail, will leave Saigon on Friday, the 29th inst., at 5 a.m. for this port.

The O. & O. steamer *Doric*, with mails, &c., left Shanghai for this port on the 25th inst. at 11 a.m.

The T. K. K. steamer *Nippon Maru*, with mails, &c., from San Francisco to the 6th inst., via Honolulu, has arrived at Yokohama, and left for this port yesterday morning via Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai.

The T. K. K. steamer *America Maru*, with mails, &c., which left here on the 24th November, San Francisco via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu, arrived at her destination on the 22nd inst.

The N.Y.K. steamer *Kogyoshin Maru* (Bombay Line) left Singapore for this port on the 24th inst., and is expected to arrive here on the 31st inst.

ASSAULT BY A MARINE.

Two marines from H. M. S. *Barbary* were charged with assaulting a hawker on the 25th inst. Second defendant pleaded not guilty, but the first admitted the charge.

The complainant said he was hawking fruit, when the first defendant took some from the stall. He ate it and was told off without payment when the complainant drew his attention to the omission. First defendant is alleged to have resented this what he probably deemed presumption on the hawker's part by dealing him a blow across the hand from a bamboo.

Second defendant struck him with his cane. They ran off.

The constable who made the arrest depos-

ed that both men were running, and were pursued by a crowd of Chinese.

The magistrate did not think the charge against the second man had been substantiated,

and discharged him. First defendant, however,

## TELEGRAMS.

## "DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

## THE CRISIS IN CHINA.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS.]

SHANGHAI, 26th December, 7.40 p.m.

WUCHANG PREPARES FOR  
THE DOWAGER.

Chinese officials report that preparations are being made at Wuchang and Siangyang, in Hupeh, to receive the Empress Dowager.

## THE KANSU REBELLION.

The news of the Kansu rebellion is confirmed, but the Viceroy Wei Kang-tao remains at Lanchan with a large force of Human troops.

LONDON, 24th December, 3.55 p.m.

## THE JOINT NOTE.

It is reported that all the Ministers have signed the Peking Note.

## PEKING CLUB LOOTED.

The Germans have seized and completely looted the Peking Club.

THE WAR IN SOUTH  
AFRICA.

LONDON, 24th December, 3.55 p.m.

## THE BOERS IN CAPE COLONY.

Lord Kitchener thinks that the Boer movement in Cape Colony has been checked. The British are getting round the enemy.

## GENERAL NEWS.

LONDON, 24th December, 3.55 p.m.

## THE COTTON INDUSTRY.

There is an improvement in the Lancashire cotton industry, and large supplies of American and Egyptian cotton are arriving.

## THE VICEROY'S CUP.

CALCUTTA, 25th December, 8.15 p.m.

## UP-WARDS.

had admitted being guilty, and would be fined \$15 or fourteen days' imprisonment. The fine was paid.

## CHRISTMAS JOLLIFICATIONS.

Christmas Day brought with it the usual number of cases of drunk and incapable. The offenders were dismissed with a caution.

## BEFORE MR. KEMP.

## STREET GAMBLING.

Two coolies denied that they had been gambling in the public street.

A Lukong deposed that he saw the defendants, surrounded by a crowd, playing at *tai-sa* in Puya East. They were staking money, which they threw away when he approached.

They went to prison for seven days.

## UNLAWFUL POSSESSION.

A coolie admitted being in unlawful possession, at Yaumati on the 25th, of one pair of rubber shoes, value one dollar, and was fined \$10 or fourteen days. He went to prison.

A coolie pleaded guilty to stealing two bundles of newly-cut branches, and was fined \$1 or seven days. He also went to prison.

## THEFT AT MOUNT AUSTIN BARRACKS.

Al Yung, a servant at Mount Austin Barracks, was charged with stealing two silver dollars from the officers' quarters at Mount Austin Barracks, the Peak. The money was stolen from the defendant's master, a lieutenant in the Royal Welsh Fusiliers.

The complainant states in evidence that on Sunday night he put seven silver dollars in a drawer in his room, and on going to get some money on Monday morning, he found that two dollars were missing. Witness was just going on duty, and had no time to make inquiries. In the evening, when he threatened to have him arrested, the defendant said he stole the money to buy food.

A private in the Fusiliers said he was ordered by the complainant to take the defendant to the police station. On the way he confessed having stolen the money. Witness did not hold out any inducement for him to do so.

The sentence was fourteen days' hard labour.

## DAMAGING A CHAIR.

A private in the Royal Welsh Fusiliers said he did not remember when asked if he had, whilst drunk, damaged a public chair to the value of two dollars.

He was ordered to pay compensation to that amount to the complainant, a coolie.

## RUSSIA AT TIEN-TSIN.

A correspondent signing himself "X." writes to the *Times* as follows:—The news from Tien-tsin of the latest piece of Russian aggression in claiming the land on the left bank of the Peiho, immediately opposite to the British concession, causes serious apprehensions to those whose interests have been thus assailed. The land in question is largely the property of the Imperial Chinese Railways, which was duly hypothesized as security under the agreement for the loan of £2,300,000 raised in England with the knowledge of her Majesty's Government. However, by far the more serious aspect of the case is the dominating position which Russia would occupy in the unlikely event of her claim being acquiesced in. As the position selected commands the means of ingress and egress to and from Tien-tsin by railway (water cannot always be relied on owing to the silt contained in the Peiho), it would be in the power of Russia, if she liked, to hamper or strangle the trade of Tien-tsin. That is hardly a comforting reflection, although none the less true. British interests *abroad* are past amount with regard to the trade itself, the carrying of it, and in the money invested in real estates, docks, the railways, and vessels for lightering and hauling. Russian interests, on the other hand are almost *nil*, save in the transit of tea, which traffic will disappear when communication through Taliewan with Russian Siberia is opened. Russian firms do not participate in either export or import trade of the port. In connection with the above it must not be forgotten that Tien-tsin is the second largest port in China, whose trade has doubled itself during the last ten years and is capable of enormous development. No port in China has increased in trade in the same ratio in the corresponding time. The establishment of Russia in Tien-tsin seems utterly unjustifiable. Certainly the position mentioned in the report, it may have a gross outrage to British interests.

It has already renounced the rights, previously open to us under the Treaty of Tien-tsin of 1860, to compete in railway enterprise in Manchuria in favour of Russia. She may well rest satisfied with that and her acquisitions at Port Arthur and Taliewan. Nothing which our Government has done in China during the last three years has been more consistent with their repeatedly declared policy of striving to maintain the independence of China than their approval of the Chinese Imperial Railway Agreement for the loan of £2,400,000. By that agreement the railways are to remain in Chinese hands so long as the terms of the agreement are complied with. Bondholders need feel no uneasiness about the Chinese paying their obligations, however much they may fear Russian interference. There is nothing the Chinese have more readily protested against, or felt more keenly, than the loss of their sovereign influence in the Shantung and Manchurian lines. In recent events the attitude of the bondholders has been one of "patience and watchfulness," confident that our Government will safeguard their just rights and British interests generally in North China. Let us trust that their hope will not be disappointed.

The U.S. naval collier *Juelin*, now at Manila, is the first vessel to be tried under the new system of naming auxiliary ships of war with a merchantman's name, says a Manila paper. Most of her officers, and many of her men, however, have seen service in the navy.

## A HELPLESS CRIPPLE!

N. Bengart of Norborne says:—For nineteen months I lay a helpless cripple from rheumatism. The weight of my body was reduced from 170 lbs. to 130 lbs., a proof of the terrible pain I had to endure. During all this time, I sought a cure, but after using everything I heard of, such as anemias, electricity, Turkish Baths, and above all useless employing physicians, I considered myself incurable, especially so when the last physician told me that he would not accept any more money from me, as the case was beyond the human grasp. At this time I noticed your advertisement in one of the morning papers. I ordered Little's Oriental Balm with very little confidence, but I was surprised after using 2 to 3 bottles. I was greatly improved and the continued use of your wonderful remedy cured me, with the help of God of Rheumatism.

For my part I shall do all in my power to spread its merits. Sold at Re. 1 per bottle. Agents for Hongkong.—THE VICTORIA DISPENSARY, LTD.

## MANILA.

## [FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

Manila, 20th December.

THE RETURN OF THE VOLUNTEERS.

On 11th December the War Department at Washington cabled to General MacArthur at

Manila in reference to the return of the volunteer troops who have been in the service since July, 1898. It was a cable that has been long expected; in fact the Adjutant-General was talking about it since before the elections in the beginning of November. As it reduces the present strength of the Philippine forces by about one-half and everybody knows that the army to-day is barely half large enough to tackle the insurrection in such a way as to handle the question successfully and enforce order—it will not be any exaggeration to say that nobody had the slightest idea that the announcements of the Adjutant-General would be carried out until after long delays. Therefore it was all the greater surprise when a bulletin was posted in the military headquarters on Tuesday afternoon, saying that in accordance with instructions received from Washington the movement of the Volunteers from these islands to the United States for muster out will begin about January 1st, 1901. It is proposed to return the regiments as nearly as practicable in the order of arrival in the Philippines and these men will be replaced by regular troops to be sent from the United States. At the same time instructions were issued concerning the carrying out of the details of the movement under the supervision of the Department Commanders, who will assemble the regiments at Manila or elsewhere, as may be directed from Headquarters. Under this arrangement the 37th Volunteer Infantry and the 11th Volunteer Cavalry will be the first troops to return and their date of departure is set for New Year's Day.

## THE RUSSIAN OCCUPATION.

News despondent in tone is reaching us from Newchwang. Outrages on Chinese, and when opportunity offers on foreigners as well, seem to be the order of the day in the country lying round that port. Boxers and soldiers alike unite in robbing and murdering all and any they meet in their day's march. The Russian forces have captured the town of Liao Yang without encountering any or much resistance. It is reported that the Russian general met with some mishap in the course of these operations, but of no serious nature, and is now in peaceful possession of the town. But news like this is, after all, but the counterpart of what might and does come from a hundred other places and districts in North China. The point in connection with Manchuria that is to be noted is the tacit acceptance by England of Russian occupation. On the other hand, there is the fact of the non-interference of Russia with Shanghai and the Yangtze Valley generally. So that what has been rejected by both countries under the name of Spheres of Possession has been accepted under that of Spheres of Pacification. How long that pacification will last, whether it will be of an indefinite extent as to merge the latter into the former, depend on the countless threads that go to make up the web of diplomacy. But to the ordinary observer the fact is patent, from the date of the withdrawal of the British Fleet from Port Arthur down to the present moment when Russian troops and Russian troops alone are operating round and about Newchwang, that the British Government have determined to recognize that it is a place gone beyond their control; and that, no matter under what name the nominal possessor may appear, the actual influence and power over Manchuria will remain in Russian hands; or at least until such time as that dream of Sir Robert Hart's is realized, and China's millions sweep Russian and English, Slay and Saxon, before them on their western march.

## A CRITICAL PERIOD.

Doubtless, since the election of President McKinley and the persistent assurances of the military heads, especially General Otis, that the war is all over, the public is hailing for the return of the troops and the reduction of the war expenditures. It is to be hoped that the experienced administration will legislate in such a way that the islands will be adequately garrisoned, so that some good may come of the hard-fought position that the United States occupy here to-day. It is a critical period where the slightest let up in the military activity will lead to the greatest of disasters and to the loss of practically all that has been gained during more than two years of war.

## SANDAKAN NOTES.

## [FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

Sandakan, 13th December.

## THE GOVERNORSHIP OF NORTH BORNEO.

Mr. E. W. Birch, of Negri Sembilan, has been appointed to the Governorship of British North Borneo and Labuan, in succession to Governor Hugh Clifford, C.M.G., and it is understood that the former will arrive at Labuan next month to take up his new post. All who have known Mr. Birch speak very highly of his enthusiasm, energy, and tremendous capacity for work, and there is but little doubt that no appointment in succession to Mr. Clifford could have given more genuine pleasure to those who wish to see Borneo advance and prosper. This second Colonial Office appointment has given an amount of confidence to the country's well-wishers that has to be felt to be thoroughly understood.

## EXPORT CARGOS.

Per steamer *State of Maine*, sailed on the 11th December—5 cases camphorwood trunks, 57 cases straw cuffs, 129 pks. ration chairs, 135 cases blackwoodware, 200 cases joss sticks, 372 bales batmaners, 1,310 cases cassis, 5,364 rolls matting, 7,506 cases palm leaf fans, 10,024 pks. cracked.

Per steamer *Ulysse*, sailed on the 14th Dec. For Liverpool:—5,871 bales hemp. For New York:—197 bales hemp.

Per steamer *Ernest Simons*, sailed on the 17th Dec. For Marseilles:—140 bales raw silk, 66 bales pierced cocoons, 14 cases silks, 22 cases fans, 4 cases preserves, 3 cases curies, 65 pks. tea, 1 box treasure (\$1,327). For Milan:—5 halves raw silk. For Lyons:—76 bales raw silk.

## THE PEACE NEGOTIATIONS.

According to Tokyo advice, summing up information possessed by the Japanese at Shanghai, the Diplomatic Corps is still in conference with regard to various items to be demanded of the Chinese peace commissioners. It is reported that the representatives of the Powers have desisted to resume hostilities in the event of China failing to comply with the ultimatum of the Powers. Prince Ching and Viceroy Li Hung-chang are not in a position to present any peace terms to the foreign representatives, who have caused the Chinese Commissioners to wait for conditions stipulated by the Allies. Being dissatisfied with this state of affairs, some of the staff of Ching and Li Hung-chang have already left Peking for Shanghai.

Having approved of the peace conditions adopted by the Diplomatic Conference at Peking, the advice continue, the majority of the Governments of the allied Powers have already appointed their representatives to act as peace plenipotentiaries. The power invested in the Foreign Ministers is stated to be limited, as the Governments reserve the right of final decision in important affairs. The Diplomatic Corps has last acknowledged Prince Ching and Viceroy Li Hung-chang as the Chinese peace ministers vested with plenary powers, but some of the allied Powers have not yet appointed their representatives to negotiate peace with the Chinese Commissioners, and accordingly the formal opening of the peace negotiations will probably not take place till the end of next month.

## RUSSIAN OPERATIONS IN MANCHURIA.

## [FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

Shanghai, 18th December.

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## THE QUESTIONS AT ISSUE.

It is pleasant to be able to record that the most trustworthy accounts from Manchuria describe the Russian operations as being conducted on the lines of civilized warfare and that such scenes as accompanied the Russian conquest of the country round Khiva are neither authorized nor enacted in Manchuria. Stopping then the pacification carried out, restoration of order will bring renewal of trade, and with that renewal the certainty that British merchants will, as before, make strenuous efforts to obtain their share of it. Must it, and does it of necessity follow that they will not succeed in doing this? If not, is the importance of the province sufficient to justify us in taking steps to keep the trade open to all comers? Can any steps which England can take keep it from falling under the denomination of Russia? These are questions which not only every individual out here must consider and answer, but which every individual tax-payer at home must plainly put before him and called upon to decide.

## MANCHURIA AND THE YANG-TZE.

The situation may not inaptly be compared to the Fashoda incident. French trade is as welcome up the Nile as English, but if there is any pacification to be done we showed pretty plainly that it was we, not France, who would undertake it. So in Manchuria, who shall say that in avoiding the possibility of a similar situation our Government have not acted wisely, or that the Russians in accepting the fact that the maintenance of order on the Yangtze pertains to the functions of Great Britain rather than to Russia, have not done more to preserve the concord of the Powers than perhaps the more thoughtless amongst us would give either credit for?

## MANCHURIA AND THE YANG-TZE.

having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery may be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

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No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

All damaged packages must be left in the Godowns, and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the vessel's arrival here, after which no claims will be recognized.

A. M. MARSHALL, Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, 20th December, 1900.

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**I**N Aid of the WIDOW and FAMILY of the late Sergeant HOWELL, R.W.F., CITY HALL, THURSDAY, 3rd January, commencing at 9 p.m. Admission \$3, \$2, \$1 & 50 cents. Seats may be booked at the ROBINSON PIANO CO.

Hongkong, 27th December, 1900. [3262] FOR YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND SINGTAU.

**T**HE Steamship "FREIBURG," Captain Prosser, will leave for the above ports TO-DAY, the 27th inst., at 4 p.m., instead of as previously notified.

For Freight, apply to SIEMSEN & CO., Agents. Hongkong, 27th December, 1900. [3261]

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FOR SWATOW. THE Company's Steamship "THALES."

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**T**HE Steamship "LYEEMOON," Captain Heuermann, will be despatched for the above port on THURSDAY, the 3rd January, at 4 p.m.

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FOR SWATOW, AMOY, AND TAIWANFOO. THE Company's Steamship "ANPING MARU."

Captain S. Aizumi, will be despatched for the above port on WEDNESDAY, the 9th January, at DAYLIGHT.

For Freight or Passage, apply to THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA, Agents. Hongkong, 27th December, 1900. [1443]

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are hereby notified that the Cargo is being discharged into Craft, and/or landed at the Godowns of the Kowloon Godown Co.; in both cases it will lie at Consignee's risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown on and after the 27th instant.

Optional cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival.

Goods undelivered after the 31st instant will be subject to rent. All damaged Goods must be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined at 11 A.M. on the 2nd prox.

**B**UTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. Hongkong, 26th December, 1900. [3028]

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Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after WEDNESDAY, the 2nd January, at NOON, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me or to before the 2nd January, 1901, or they will not be recognized.

All damaged packages will be examined on WEDNESDAY, the 2nd January, 1901. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent. Hongkong, 26th December, 1900. [2273]

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Hongkong, 21st December, 1900. [3225]

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Colonial Secretary's Office.

Hongkong, 8th December, 1900. [3215]

Particulars and Conditions of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held THIS DAY (THURSDAY), the 27th day of DECEMBER, 1900, at 3 P.M., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, of His Excellency the Governor, of Two Lots of Crown Land at Fuk Tsui Heung, Kowloon, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 Years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of Her Majesty the Queen for one further term of 75 years.

By Command.

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART, Colonial Secretary.

Hongkong, 8th December, 1900. [3215]

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## OUR PARIS LETTER.

Paris, 24th November.

A good part, and the worst, of the nation has  
gone mad in its tactics to strike capital out of  
that old political sinner Kruger, who has ar-  
rived at Marseilles in the Dutch warship. As  
ever, the French who disapprove of that folly,  
at which foreigners laugh, and the English the  
first, remain silent. Somehow the ship was late,  
a circumstance the multitude of waiting as-  
sistants resented, for no satisfactory explanation  
of the delay was given. But it is known that  
the English Government would not remain  
silent if selected as a Turk's head for the ribald  
oratory of the brainless demagogues. Hence  
the Marseilles "welcome" degenerated into a  
fiasco. Then it was discovered that the  
British Empire would be able to withstand the  
cabal of all its international adversaries. This  
state of national lunacy succeeding so rapidly  
after the Dreyfus symbol of toleration, and the  
Fashoda illustration of neighbouring straight-  
forward men has produced the most effect. No  
doubt the arrangement between England and  
Germany, and now, thanks to Mr. Chamberlain,  
with Italy—had a perceptible sedative in-  
fluence upon the French. This is backed up by  
the known extension of the British ways and  
means, for attack and defence. No man of light  
and leading is on the side of the momentary  
agitation; those who have elected or pitchforked  
themselves as chiefs of the blind leading the  
blind are mere windbags, and utterly ignorant  
of serious politics. They have a chapter of com-  
monplaces, a litany of bad names, which they  
gladly recite to the groundlings. Kruger is not  
wanted even as a stick to shake at burlly,  
laughing, but contemptuous John Bull: Europe  
looks away when Kruger and those engineering  
him come into sight. That out-cast of royal-  
ty, legally exiled from France, and morally so  
from England, the Duc d'Orleans, ordered his  
yacht, stationed in Marseilles harbour, to be  
decorated with flags and flowers to welcome a  
man as wholly devoid of principle as himself.  
But birds of a feather flock together.Affairs in China do not march as placidly as  
some Panglosses expected. Public opinion has  
its eyes first now rather fixed on the conduct of  
the allies than on the Celestials. There has  
been inhumanity and looting, especially by  
the Russians and the French, at which the  
invaders ought most certainly to blush. But it is  
folly to think opinion can remedy that; when  
war breaks out horrors will be perpetrated.  
The Dowager-Empress is accepted as having  
the regained power; she is in the country of the  
partisans—Mahomedans—of Prince Tuan and  
company, when the allies await Her Majesty to  
deliver up to them for decapitation. In the  
eyes of the Empress, to accede to such a de-  
mand might be worse for her dynasty than to  
behead the allies to do their best or worst. She  
appears to be coming round to opposing the  
allies, as she becomes installed deeper in the  
depths of the Empire. "Catch me if you can,"  
she seems to say to the allies, and that is the  
work Count von Waldersee has to accomplish.  
It involves in a word the destruction of the  
Imperial dynasty, for it would never outlive  
the disgrace and degradation of the  
execution of Prince Tuan, the father of the  
solemnly chosen king. Only the English and  
the French knew how to cut off the heads of  
their inconvenient kings. Western opinion  
actually cries out in chorus to adopt a policy of  
free trade and open doors in China; and not  
partition the gigantic and effete kingdom. The  
disembarkment question, however, is anything  
but shelved; Russia is not dismayed at the pro-  
spect of having to govern more millions of  
Chinese and administer their territory. It is  
said the other powers are afraid to risk playing  
that card; the Chinese might kick, and the stag  
at bay is known to be a dangerous foe. It is  
anticipated that Prince Tuan and his compro-  
mised friends will soon offer a decided resis-  
tance to the allied forces that will enable  
Westerners to gauge better the end of the diffi-  
culty. But the allies will not remain united to  
carry on a war against the Celestials, in whose  
favour time tells. In the interim, use all the  
open doors for trade.The utterly objectless marauding system of  
opposing the English, adopted by the Boers  
meets with an approval. It only now awaits  
to extirpate the opposition as ruthlessly as the  
Americans and Germans practised. It is from  
Lord Kitchener that the necessary severities must  
come. And he will soon put them in practice.  
It is after all the most humane method. Per-  
haps when the Boers get an inkling that it is  
not the verbose Déronda, or the eccentric  
post François Coppée, or Rechefort, or Dru-  
mont, that command in France, and see  
that no help is to be expected they will be  
more inclined to care in. Every day their  
holding out, but increases their own miseries,  
while exhausting—a happy result—their  
concealed war material. While the rebels hold out  
every means to deprive them of food, munition-  
and shelter must be adopted, their hunting  
gounds laid waste, after which the vine and  
the fig-tree will soon re-flourish. The plan  
is excellent to compel a truce to be taken  
out for each horse possessed by a farmer  
and also for every gun. Distributing the  
cavalry and mounted infantry into small  
squadrons they will soon put a stop to the  
raiding vengeance. After the treachery at  
Jacobsdal, the Boers cannot count upon  
British clemency; it dries up that well-spring.  
The engagements for the Baden-Powell  
contingency

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MANILA VIA AMOY	TALES	Brit str.	—	K. Hasegawa	DOUGLAS LAPRAK & CO.	To-morrow, at Daylight.
MANILA	TAMSHU MARU	Jap. str.	—	S. Sasaki	MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA	On 30th inst., at Daylight.
MANILA	ANPING MARU	Brit str.	—	—	JARDINE, MATTHESON & CO.	On 3rd Jan., at Daylight.
MANILA	YUENSANG	Brit str.	—	N. Tato	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-day, at 4 P.M.
MANILA	ROSETTA MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	SHEWAT, TOME & CO.	To-morrow, at 4 P.M.
MANILA	DIAMANTE	Brit str.	—	A. Ramsey	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-morrow, at 5 P.M.
TAIWAN	TAIYUAN	Brit str.	—	Nelson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 6th Jan.
BOM BAY, VIA SINGAPORE & COLOMBO	MIKE MARU	Jap. str.	—	S. Kawamura	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 3rd Jan., at Noon.

## SHIPPING.

## ARRIVALS.

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Dec. 25, LOKSANG, British str., for Bangkok.

Dec. 25, DECIMA, German str., for Saigon.

Dec. 25, ANPING MARU, Jap. str., for Swatow.

Dec. 26, TITOS, German str., for Hongay.

Dec. 26, KWEIYIANG, British str., for AMOY.

Dec. 26, HATLON, French str., for Pukhoi.

Dec. 26, UZINA, British str., for Calcutta.

Dec. 26, CAETTAHO, British hospital str., for Wenchwei.

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Dec. 26, HUE, French str., for Haiphong.

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SHIPPING REPORTS.

The French steamer Marche, from Saigon 22nd Dec., had fine weather, heavy sea and N.E. trade wind.

The British steamer Glenfalloch, from Penang 13th Dec. and Singapore 17th, had fresh N.E. winds and high sea from lat. 10° N. to Gap Rock.

The British steamer Hasting, from Haiphong 22nd Dec. and Pukhoi 24th, had fresh to strong monsoon, high head sea and fine, clear weather.

The British steamer Thales, from Swatow 24th Dec., had moderate N.E. winds and dull, cloudy weather. Vessels in Swatow—Kingston and Tamsui.

The British steamer Child, from Wuchow 20th, Dec., had light N.W. wind and fine weather to Huihan Island. From Huihan Island to Chapel Island strong N.E. wind and fine weather.

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Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of overland Rail routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY or payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding orders for OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have between San Francisco and Chicago, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.

Special rates (first classes only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services to Europe, in service in China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 P.M. same day, all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

For further particulars, apply to A. M. MARSHALL, Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, 24th December, 1900.

SHEWAN TOMES &amp; CO'S NEW YORK LINE.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"DEVONSHIRE" will be despatched for the above port on or about the 5th January, 1901.

For Freight, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES &amp; CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 21st December, 1900.

FOR PORTLAND (ORE.) U.S.A.

Booking Cargo for SAN FRANCISCO, CAL and OREGON COMMON POINTS OF THE UNITED STATES by Connecting Railroads

THE Norwegian First Class Steamer

"SKARPSNO" will be despatched on or about the 10th January, 1901.

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"MONMOUTHSHIRE" Capt. Kennedy, and in February by

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"INDRAVELLI" For Freight or Passage, apply to T. M. STEVENS &amp; CO., 4, Duddell Street, Agents.

Hongkong, 21st December, 1900.

NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS.

THE Undersigned GENERAL AGENTS

IN CHINA AND JAPAN for the above Line are prepared to issue THOROUGH BILLS OF LADING for all the principal ports in SOUTH ASIA, in connection with INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION Co's fortnightly service hence to CALCUTTA. Sailing from CALCUTTA for CAPE PORTS every fortnight.

For Freight and further particulars, apply to DODWELL &amp; CO., LIMITED, General Agents for China and Japan.

Hongkong, 4th August, 1897.

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/3 L. II. British Bark

"H. MOREBOW" Captain Douglas, having arrived, is now loading here for the above port and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to ARNHOLD, KARBERG &amp; CO.

Hongkong, 12th December, 1900.

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WING CHONG.

Dealers in JEWELRY, PEARLS, DIAMONDS, CURIOS, JADESTONWARE, CAVED IVORYWARE, SILKS, and GRASS CLOTHS

AND GENERAL EXPORTERS.

We beg to inform the Ladies and Gentlemen of this Colony that we commence Business on the 11th April, 1900, and we solicit their kind patronage.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

CLIVE, LIVINGSTON &amp; CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 17th December, 1900.

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FIREHORN, gunboat, 455 tons, 4 guns, 360 h.p., in reserve, at Hongkong.

Goliath, battleship, 12,950 tons, 16 guns, 13,500 h.p., Capt. Lewis E. Wink, at Nagasaki.

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THE Steamship

"AUSTRALIAN" Captain Helms, will be despatched for the above port on THURSDAY, the 3rd January, at 4 P.M.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &amp;c., throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon are carried.

N.B.—Return Tickets issued by this Company to and from Australia are available for return by the steamers of the China Navigation Company and vice versa.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

CLIVE, LIVINGSTON &amp; CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 17th December, 1900.

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VESSELS ON THE BERTH.

FOR NEW YORK VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL.

With Liberty to Call at MANILA.

THE Steamship

"HUDSON" will be despatched for the above port about the end of December, and will be followed by the Steamship

"POLAR ST. JERNEN" about the middle of January, 1901.

For Freight, apply to DODWELL &amp; CO., LTD., Agents.

Hongkong, 3rd December, 1900.

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CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

THE Company's Steamship

"TARTAE" Captain G. D. Bowles, E.N.B., will leave Hongkong on or about MONDAY, the 31st December, 1900.

For VICTORIA and VANCOUVER, B.C. (VIA INLAND SEA, KOBE and YOKO-

HAMA).

Making close connection at Vancouver with the Canadian Pacific Railway for all points in Eastern Canada, the United States and Europe.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

D. E. BROWN, General Agent, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1900.

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THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS,

PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL AND AMERICAN PORTS.

THE Company's Steamship

"BENGAL" Captain S. Burcham, carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for Bombay on SATURDAY, the 5th January, at NOON, taking passengers and cargo for the above ports.

Silk and Valuables, all cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &amp;c., will be conveyed via Bombay with transhipment.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further particulars, apply to

A. M. MARSHALL, Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, 24th December, 1900.

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SHEWAN TOMES &amp; CO'S NEW YORK LINE.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"DEVONSHIRE" will be despatched for the above port on or about the 5th January, 1901.

For Freight, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES &amp; CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 21st December, 1900.

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FOR PORTLAND (ORE.) U.S.A.

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Hongkong, 21st December, 1900.

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THE Undersigned GENERAL AGENTS

IN CONNECTION WITH THE OREGON RAILEAD &amp; NAVIGATION COMPANY.

PROPOSED SAILING FROM HONGKONG TO PORTLAND (ORE.) AND SAN FRANCISCO, VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

TAKING CARGO TO JAPAN PORTS, THE UNITED STATES, AND CANADA.

THE Steamship

"ADATO" 2,145, Captain J. McIntyre, will be despatched or about 30th Dec. for PORTLAND (ORE.) VIA MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.

Through Bills of Lading issued to any point in the United States and Canada.

Cargo will be received on board until 5 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be accepted at the Office until 5 P.M. same day, all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

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Conular Invoices to accompany cargo destined to points beyond Portland (Ore.) should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, Portland (Ore.).

For further information as to Freight rates, &amp;c., apply to

ARNHOLD, KARBERG &amp; CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 24th November, 1900.

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OREGON AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THE 3/3 L. II. British Bark

"H. MOREBOW" Captain Douglas, having arrived, is now loading here for the above port and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to ARNHOLD, KARBERG &amp; CO.

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1900.

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THE Steamship

"AUSTRALIAN" Captain Helms, will be despatched for the above port on THURSDAY, the 3rd January, at 4 P.M.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &amp;c., throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

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For Freight or Passage, apply to

CLIVE, LIVINGSTON &amp; CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 17th December, 1900.

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EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

Calling at PORT DAWIN AND QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &amp;c.)

THE Steamship

"AUSTRALIAN"

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